

**USDA FOREST SERVICE  
LEWIS AND CLARK NATIONAL FOREST  
WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS & BELT CREEK RANGER DISTRICT  
SPECIAL ORDER  
TEMPORARY EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER**

**White Sulphur Springs Ranger District Moose Mountain Fire Area Closure**

Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulation 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited as described below, within the White Sulphur Springs and Belt Creek Ranger Districts on the Lewis and Clark National Forest. This temporary restriction is in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations and will remain in effect until rescinded or revoked.

**36 CFR 261.53 – Special Closures:**

**It is prohibited to enter or be upon any area which is closed for the protection of “Public Health and Safety” (Title 36 CFR 261.53(e)).**

**36 CFR 261.54 – Forest Development Roads:**

**It is prohibited to be upon any Forest road which is closed by a Forest Supervisor’s Order (Title 36 CFR 261.54 (e))**

**36 CFR 261.55 – Forest Development Trails:**

**It is prohibited to be upon any trail which is closed by Forest Supervisor’s Order (Title 36 CFR 261.55(a)).**

- For the purpose of protecting public health and safety, **it is prohibited to enter National Forest lands, roads, and trails** within the area described below:

The Area starting at the junction of the Divide Road (Forest Road 839) with Highway 89 North then heading south along the west boundary of Highway 89, approximately 9 ¼ miles to the Jumping Creek Campground, then following the Forest Service boundary west northwest, approximately 6 miles to the Sheep Creek Road (Forest Road 119), then heading north along the east boundary of Forest Service Road 119, approximately 5 miles to the intersection of Forest Service Road 119 with the Calf Creek Trail (Forest Trail 724), then heading north northeast along the eastern edge of the Trail 724 approximately 1 ¼ miles to its junction with the East Fork of Calf Creek Trail (Forest Trail 722), then continuing along the southeast side of Forest Trail 722, approximately 3 ½ miles to its intersection with the Onion Park Road (Forest Road 586); then continuing east along the south side of Forest Service Road 586 approximately 3 miles to its intersection with the Divide Road (Forest Road 839), then continuing east along the south side of Forest Service Road 839 approximately 10 miles to the junction of Forest Service Road 839 and Highway 89 North.

**Exemptions:**

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following are exempt from this restriction:

1. Persons with a permit issued by a forest officer specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Done at Great Falls, Montana this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.

By:   
acting for  
William Avey  
Forest Supervisor

**Penalty:** Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both (16 USC 551 and 18 USC 3559 and 3571).

**Notification:** A copy of this order shall be posted as prescribed under 36 CFR 261.51.